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In re the Application of: John J. HORTON

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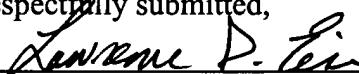
IDENTIFICATION OF COPENDING APPLICATION

Honorable Commissioner of
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Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

The attention of the Patent Office is drawn to copending application Serial No. 09/669,852, filed September 27, 2000, which may contain technical subject matter related to that of the present invention. This identification is not to be construed as a waiver of secrecy as to the cited application now or upon issuance of the present application as a patent. The examiner is respectfully requested to consider the cited application and the art cited therein during the examination of this application.

Respectfully submitted,



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